



OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER

February 12, 2009

The Honorable Lamar Smith
U.S. House of Representatives
2409 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

RE: Emergency Operations Center Equipment

Dear Congressman Smith:

We request your support for \$104,000 in FY 2010 funding for necessary equipment for the Emergency Operations Center.

The City of New Braunfels and Comal County share a joint Emergency Operations Center for coordination among City and County officials, law enforcement personnel and other first responders during a crisis. The City has developed and uses a geographic information system (GIS) that provides important mapping and location information for a variety of public safety purposes. The Emergency Operations Center, however, does not have access to this sophisticated GIS support and requires the necessary GIS equipment, including servers, laptops and related software, to improve its capability to respond to emergencies.

The estimated cost for the GIS equipment is \$104,000. We request your support for FY 2010 funding for this project.

We appreciate your support.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Bruce Boyer".

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